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Appln. Title: CONTINUOUSLY VARIABLE
TRANSMISSION FOR AN INTERNAL
COMBUSTION ENGINE

Sir:

REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: April 14, 2003

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in all cases of a signature thereto.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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2. Total Effective Claims		54	**minus 54	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims		5	***minus 5	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
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5. Original due Date: April 13, 2003		<input type="checkbox"/> NONE					
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		(4 mos)	\$1,450/\$725 =				118/218
		(5 mos)	\$1,970/\$985 =				128/228
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or if Rule 97(d) Request add					+ \$180	+ \$0	126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)					+ \$750/370	+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b).....					x \$750/375 ea	+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)					+ \$750/375	+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for					+ \$0		
15. Preliminary Amendment					TOTAL FEE = \$0		
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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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Confirmation No.: 9085

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Election Requirement mailed on March 13, 2003, the date for response to which is April 14, 2003, due to the intervening weekend.

I. Election Requirement

The Election Requirement required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following distinct species of the invention: (1) Figures 21/23 and (2) Figure 33.

Among other aspects of the instant application, Figures 21 and 23 are directed to a one embodiment of a continuously variable transmission. Figure 33 is directed to another embodiment thereof. Claims 1-32 encompass aspects of the embodiment illustrated, at least in part, in Figures 21 and 23. Claims 33-54 are directed to aspects of the second embodiment illustrated, at least in part, in Figure 33.

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In response to the Election Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the species illustrated by Figures 21/23. Further, Applicants submit that at least the following pending claims are readable on the species of Figures 21/23 : Claims 1-32.

II. Generic Claims

Applicants submit, without prejudice, that at least Claims 18 and 40 are generic to the embodiments described in the instant application.

If there are any fees required for the submission of this Response that are not otherwise accounted for, please charge Deposit Account No. 03-3975 and refer to Invoice No. 086166/0283120.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

~~Before~~ examination of the above-captioned patent application, please amend
the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Claims~~ 30-32 and 41-46 have been amended to read as follows:

21 *by con't* 30. (Amended) The continuously variable transmission of claim 29,
wherein:
the guide member comprises a synthetic material.